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1. OFICIAL ZAIRIAN NEWSAGENCY (AZAP) REPORT DATELINED BRUSSELS JANUARY 23 CARRIED TEXT OF "RECENT" (PRE-OAU) SUMMIT INTERVIEW OF MBOUTU BY RICHARD RAHIER, SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT OF BELGIAN LE PEUPLE. ASKED WHAT MEASURES HE CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE TO END ANGOLAN CONFLICT, MOBUTU REPLIED THAT, SENTIMENTALLY,ZAIRE HAD SUPPORTED HOLDEN'S FNLA, BUT THAT--GIVEN PRESENT SITUATION--SENTIMENT HAD BEEN SET ASIDE. CONCERTATION AMONG THREE PARTIES IS ONLY ANSWER. IT IS AN
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ANGOLAN PROBLEM, TO BE SOLVED BY ANGOLANS FREE FROM OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE.

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2. SEPARATE ASZAP ARTICLE DATELINED KINSHASA JANUARY 23 REPORTED HELICOPTER VISIT BY MOBUTU AND STATE COMMISSIONER FOR POLITICA AFFAIRS ENGULU TO POPOKABAKA AND KASONGOLUNDA (DWANGO), ZAIRIAN FRONTIER TOWNS BORDERING ANGOLA'S NORTHERN FRONT. BOBUTU SAID PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS TO "ENCOURAGE" FRONTIER POPULATION AFTER SOVIET/ DUBAN IMPERIALIST AGRESSION AT DILOLO (SHABA). PRESIDENT SAID THAT NO COUNTRY, WHATEVER ITS POWER, COULD INVADE ZAIRE WITHOUT FIRST ELIMINATING 25 MILLION ZAIRIANS. KASONGOLUNDA, 7 KMS FROM ANGOLAN BORDER, NOW SHELTERS 5443 ANGOLAN REFUGEES, SAID AZAP. CUTLER

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